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April 18, 1951.

Admiral Richard W. Bates, U.S.N., 12 Mt. Vernon Street, Newport, R. I.

Dear Admiral:

Your letter of the sixteenth, and the manuscript of Admiral Oldendorf's story reached me this morning, and I am glad to learn that it was of some use to you.

I agree with you that "air factors" that obtained the upper hand in the minds of editors and others was probably at least partly - and perhaps largely - responsible for the failire of this material to be published while the war was still on, though the extended delay of which the censor was guilty also played a part.

The fact is, of course, that neither editors nor correspondents were, as a group, at all well informed on matters having to do with navel - and especially surface - warfare. I am still astonished by what I believe to be the fact that for at least six months after the Battle of Surigao Strait I was the only correspondent who attempted to obtain, in any detail, Admiral Oldendorf's account of that battle which, I believe, was the greatest purely surface action in the history of our Navy.

If, when your material appears, it is in a form that would be available for my use, I would appreciate learning when and how $^{\bar{1}}$ might obtain a copy of it.

In the meantime, I am glad to have located and seen you again, and $^\perp$ appreciate the generous comments you have made concerning what $^{\rm I}$ had to say before the Quindecim Club.

I hope that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you and the other members of the club again before too long.

Hawthorne Daniel

Cordially yours

HOWARD B. SPRAGUE, M. D. 1180 BEACON STREET BROOKLINE 46, MASSACHUSETTS April 23, 1951 Admiral R. W. Bates Naval War College Newport Rhode Island Special Delivery Dear Admiral Bates: I have your letter of April 19th, but have just had an opportunity today to settle things relative to your special blood test. I have been to the Harvard School of Public Health to see Dr. Stare who is in charge of these ultracentrifuge examinations and have arranged for you to go there directly after I examine you on the 25th. The blood can be collected at the School laboratory and will then be processed in the usual manner. I have also talked to Dr. Stare about having your Navy doctors look over the research installation in that laboratory and I think it might be well worth while for them to make the trip and to see either Dr. Stare or Dr. Mann who can explain what they are doing. Several other very interesting and important research investigations are going on there and some of them have military implications such as the development of special solutions of fat which can be given by vein to exhausted and malnourished men particularly those suffering from head and face wounds. You are correct that I have returned from a speaking trip but shall leave again the latter part of this week for Rochester, Minnesota, Santa Fe and Tucson. HBS/vr

COMMANDER EASTERN SEA FRONTIER 90 CHURCH STREET **NEW YORK** April 24, 1951 Dear Rafe: It was nice to receive your letter of April 17th, and I am sorry that you were not present at the Peter Tare, Inc. dinner because it was a nice and spirited gathering. I am sure it will interest you to know that after a couple of preliminary speeches by professionals (Bob Considine and Hal Boyle), I gave them an old fashioned pep talk which was so cordially received that, before I had a chance to sit down, the whole gang got to their feet and then and there elected me an honorary member of the organization. I was a little embarrassed, but none the less honored, and accepted. Therefore, whether I ever again speak at these meetings or not, I hope to see you at the next one. With best regards. Sincerely yours OSCAR C. BADGER Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy Commodore R. W. Bates, USN Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island

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Time The was in bed for about four weeks but am ylad to say that whe w some butter mow The is still taking Cothsone but it seems to have lost most of us beneficial effect. Trances Unhariosof stoffered by about two weeks ago. The was in fine Little as mount. Also have when the Transalano marcical trues So Long for this time. Alice joins me un very best wishes He well Dou Beary

Hooke's Cove Kittery Point Maine

April 28 1951

Dear Rafe;

What a nice thing of you to write me such a warm letter. Good boy.

I need hardly tell you that I thomoughly enjoyed my visit. No matter how one adapts one's self to civilian association it can never be the same as meeting someone we like in the Navy. There is a comradeship; a sense of shared experience for which there is no substitute. But $oldsymbol{arphi}$ do think we should be thinking of retirement ahead of time and realize that we must go into new fields. There is something pretty pathetic about Officers who have no outside interests and haunt the old spots like dim ghosts.

I wrote Connely that I might not write anything on the subject we discussed as the forthcoming hearings may cover the whole thing and eliminate any need for further public discussion. At any rate there is no harm done and I am going to scribble something and await developments.

I am more than pleased that you are staying on to make those highly valuable studies. So much has always been lost because we did not get the right one to evaluate and perpetuate. You are making a fine monument.

Lila sends you her love and says she will not believe you until she gets something more definite out of you. Don't fail us now.

Best from us both and may we soon settle down to a long drink and world shaking chatter.

as always Mert.

BOHEMIAN CLUB POST AND TAYLOR STREETS SAN FRANCISCO 2, CALIFORNIA May 7, 1951 Admiral Richard Waller Bates U. S. Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island Dear Sir: You are referred to in the application of Mr. Stephen B. Luce for Temporary Membership, as a member of the Club with whom he is well acquainted. You are requested to write to the Membership Committee a full reply to the following paragraphs, and include any additional information which is pertinent to the applicant's desirability as a member of the Club. How long and how well have you known the applicant, and has your acquaintance been social, business, etc.? Please name any members of the Club with whom you know applicant is well acquainted. Information relating to applicant's ability to contribute to Club activities is essential. Please outline his talents, experience, and willingness to participate in any Club activities. Please outline your impressions of the applicant's personality, character and sociability. Any statements you make will be received by the committee in strict confidence. A full and frank reply will not only greatly assist the Membership Committee and the applicant, but also will fulfill a responsibility of the members on which the future of the Club depends. Secretary, Membership Committee



UNITED STATES DELEGATION UNITED NATIONS MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE 2 Park Avenue New York 16, New York

7 May 1951

Dear Rafe:

Thank you very much for your very kind letter of 2 May.

I appreciate very much your thoughts of me, your kind words about my contribution during the war, and your good wishes.

I find I am going to be retained on some special duty in Washington for sometime to come, and will undoubtedly have an opportunity to see you from time to time. My continued association with you and my other shipmates whom I have known for so many years gives me a feeling of not breaking away entirely from the Navy and breaking up all these ties which were so important to us all and continue to be so.

With kindest regards and looking forward to seeing you from time to time, I am,

Sincerely,

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CommandereR. W. Bates, USNR, Ret, Naval War College,

Newport, Rhode Island.

BOHEMIAN CLUB MIDSUMMER ENCAMPMENT, 1951



O Trees! so vast, so calm!
Softly ye lay
On heart and mind to-day
The unpurchaseable balm.

-GEORGE STERLING

PROGRAM AND INFORMATION

PROGRAM OF MAIN EVENTS

Friday Evening, July 13: Camp Opening Ceremony at Campfire Circle at 6:30. Opening Dinner at 7:00. Scattered Leaves Program at Campfire Circle at 9:00.

Saturday, Evening, July 14: Old Guard Dinner at 7:00.
The Cremation of Care thereafter.

Friday, July 20: Trap and Skeet Shooting begins. From 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily.

Saturday Noon, July 21: Concert at the Lake by the Band.

Saturday Evening, July 21: The Low Jinks at Field Circle at 9:00.

Wednesday Evening, July 25: Concert at the Lake by the Orchestra at 9:00.

Friday, July 27: Trap and Skeet Shooting Tournament begins.

Friday Evening, July 27: The Friday Night entertainment at Field Circle at 9:00.

Saturday Evening, July 28: The Grove Play at 9:00.

On all evenings not devoted to programs listed above, there will be informal entertainment at the Campfire Circle.

Beginning Monday, July 16, the Lakeside Talks will be given, on the grass opposite the Owl Shrine at the Lake, at 12:30 p. m. daily, to and including Saturday, July 28.

REGISTRATION

Members and their guests and private servants must register on arrival, and check in and out each time on entering or leaving the Grove. Otherwise, if present at all, they will be charged board for the full period of the Encampment.

SEATS FOR THE GROVE PLAY

Except for a small number regularly set aside for some of the older members, there will be no reserved seats for the Grove Play. The theatre door will be opened at 8:00 and members may enter at any time thereafter. No one will be admitted after the overture has started.

To avoid overcrowding and confusion, attendance within the theater will be restricted to members and guests. Employees will not be admitted and members should advise their private servants accordingly. All other persons entitled to enter the theater, excepting members and guests, will be supplied in advance with cards of admission signed by the Captain of the Camp.

TRANSPORTATION TO THE GROVE

Common-carrier passenger transportation to Monte Rio and way points is by buses operated by Pacific Greyhound Lines between San Francisco (Seventh and Mission Streets Stage Depot) and Monte Rio, distant three-quarters of a mile from the Grove.

Members desiring bus transportation should apply directly to Pacific Greyhound. Club buses will meet incoming Greyhound buses at Monte Rio.

It is hoped that members using their own automobiles for transportation to the Grove and having room

for one or more passengers will leave their names at the Club, giving hour and day of departure from the Club and expected time of return from the Grove. The number of passengers who can be accommodated should be specified.

SENDING BAGGAGE TO THE GROVE

Members desiring to forward baggage should get in contact with the Railway Express Company of Sam Francisco. Company trucks will leave Sam Francisco daily at 6:00 p. m. from their warehouse at Pier No. 14 on the Embarcadero This baggage will go to Sebastopol where it will be picked up at 10:00 a. m. the following morning by Pacific Motor Transportation and delivered directly to the Grove at 1:00 p. m.

Pacific Motor Transportation will pick baggage up at the Grove at 1:30 p. m. daily and deliver the same to the Railway Express Company at Sebastopol. It will arrive in San Francisco at 11:00 a. m. the following day.

Members wishing to take advantage of this service should deliver their baggage to Pier 14 before 3:00 p. m. or phone the Railway Express — EX brook 2-3100 — not later than 4:00 p. m. of the day before and request them to call for their baggage at their address. Unless delivery to Pier 14 is made on time, the service will consume approximately three days.

The Railway Express will have a truck at the Grove on Sunday, July 29, for return service. This truck will leave the Grove about 2:00 p. m. and most downtown hotels and clubs in San Francisco will receive delivery that same night.

These arrangements for transportation are subject to change at any time. Changes will be posted at the Club and in the Grove as soon as known.

AUTOMOBILES AND PARKING IN THE GROVE

No automobiles are allowed in the Grove, except those in the Grove service. Parking space is provided just outside the main gate, with experienced attendants in charge day and night; parking elsewhere in the Grove is prohibited. All cars will be checked in and out, and must be parked and removed only by attendants. Members either personally parking or removing their cars in or out of the parking space, without the aid of an attendant, will be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Directors. Cars must be left unlocked with keys in car. Tipping is strictly forbidden.

Baggage brought in by private cars, when properly tagged, will be transferred to the Club service cars at the main gate, and delivery made to the various camps. Private chauffeurs or other private servants will not be given temporary admission to the Grove for the delivery or disposition of baggage or personal effects. Baggage left at the gate will not be delivered

unless marked with standard tags completely filled out. Baggage not so marked will be held at the Civic Center until properly tagged.

Members are urged to bring to the Grove their toilet and other articles necessary for immediate use, in small hand bags, so the member may himself take them to his camp when he enters. This will avoid inconvenience in case of unavoidable delay in delivery of baggage.

ASSIGNMENT OF SPACE IN CAMP BROMLEY

- 1. The following will be given priority in assignment of space at Camp Bromley:
- (a) Physically incapacitated members who are unable conveniently to utilize their own or other camps.
- b) Guests of the Club who are not invited to private camps. Members belonging to private camps will not be permitted to lodge guests at Camp Bromley.
- (c) Members who have joined the Club within the last two (2) years.
- d) Members who occupy Bromley for eight or more days during the encampment. This shall, however, be limited to one-half of the available accommodations.
- (e) The remaining accommodations at Camp Bromley will be assigned on the basis of years of membership in Bohemia, those more recently admitted being given priority in order of lesser years of membership.
- 2. Applications for reservations at Bromley may be filed after May 1, 1951. Assignments of space will not be made prior to June 1, 1951.
- 3. Applications must specify the dates applicant desires to occupy space in Bromley. Space assigned to a member will be charged for whether occupied or not unless the space is released at least one week before the commencement of the Midsummer Encampment.
- 4. Assignment of space in Bromley will be under the direction of the Camp Captain.

Dr. Herbert D. Crall, resident in Camp Bromley has been designated as its Mayor on behalf of the Camp Committee.

The daily charge per person (exclusive of board) is \$5.00.

MEALS

The main dining room at the Grove will be open commencing with dinner, Thursday, July 12 and closing after breakfast on Friday, August 3.

Hours: Two meals a day will be served; and the following hours for meal service will be strictly observed in the dining room:

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Meals served after hours necessitate the payment of overtime to Club employees. Members are urged to be on time or to patronize the Grill.

There will be no service in the Dining Room outside the stated hours.

A la Carte Service: The Grill will be open for a la carte service from 8:00 a. m. to 10:00 a. m. and from 1:00 p. m. to 2:00 p. m. and 6:00 p. m. to 8:00 p. m., from June 30 until the opening of the Dining Room. During the Encampment the Grill will be open from 10:00 a. m. to 12:00 midnight.

VISITORS AND GUESTS

Residents of the State of California shall not be invited to the Midsummer Encampment at the Bohemian Grove; and no guest shall be invited in two successive years, nor on more than three occasions in all. All invitations are subject to formal approval by the Board of Directors.

Excepting guests privileged to attend the Midsummer Encampment, the Grove will be closed to visitors from 9:00 p. m., Thursday, June 28, until Sunday morning, August 12.

CHARGES

Attendance: The following charges have been fixed by the Board of Directors: All Regular members, regardless of attendance, thirty dollars (\$30) plus tax. All Non-Resident members not attending the Encampment, fifteen dollars (\$15 plus tax). All Associate members attending the Encampment, if not taking part in Grove events, twelve dollars (\$12) plus tax. All other members attending the Encampment, except Associate members, thirty dollars (\$30) plus tax. Members to whom guest permits are issued will be charged one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) plus tax for each card. (Members are requested not to ask for more than one guest this year.)

If, after the approval of his application by the Board of Directors, a member finds that his guest is unable to attend, the card and corresponding charge will be cancelled, but only upon written notice thereof. Such notice must be given as promptly as possible, but in any event not later than September 1 following the Encampment.

Board: The charge to members and guests for board is \$6.00 per day. Service at the Grill à la carte. Private servants will be charged board at the rate of \$5.00 per day (for three meals). Private servants not housed in the camps of their employment will be assigned to tents in the Service Quarters, for which a charge of \$2.00 per day will be made.

IDENTIFICATION OF PRIVATE SERVANTS

Members of camps employing servants in the Grove will be required to provide such servants with

letters of identification as a condition precedent to their admission. Form letters of identification have been sent to all private camps, and additional forms may be had upon application to the Club office in San Francisco. Private servants, after admission to the Grove, will be provided with identification badges. Employees will be required to wear the badges at all times while in the Grove. A special register for private servants will be kept at the main gate. They will be required to sign this register and to show their badges each time they leave or enter the Grove. The use of cameras by private servants and Grove employees is prohibited. Camp Captains are charged with the duty of seeing that servants comply with these requirements. We urge all Camp Captains to exercise the greatest care selecting camp servants.

PIANOS AND OTHER MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

A Grove Rule requires the permission of the Grove Committee for the possession or use of pianos, organs, and other musical instruments. Between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., musical instruments shall not be played. Radios shall not be brought to, or operated in, the Grove. No pianos are available for rent by the Club.

Written applications for use of musical instruments during the Encampment must be filed not later than Wednesday, June 27.

COMMISSARY AND HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES

Members are requested to purchase all camp supplies from the Club during the Midsummer Encampment.

Members' orders should be given at the Store, located between the Civic Center and the Grill; no orders will be taken at the Commissary warehouse. The Commissary carries groceries, meats, vegetables, fruit, milk, cream, and dairy products, tobacco, wines, liquors, ice and light household goods. Deliveries are made from the warehouse at frequent intervals on scheduled trips. Against emergencies the Store carries a small supply of butter, milk, cream, bread, eggs, bacon, lemons, oranges, sugar and ice for members or their servants to take with them.

Hardware and heavier household goods are for sale at the Receiving Warehouse near the outer gate.

If Camp Captains will order by mail, a few days in advance of the opening, specifying hour and day of delivery, or immediately on arrival in the Grove, it will lessen the problem of delivery.

SERVICES AND CONVENIENCES

Civic Center: Here are located the business office, the mail, telephone, and telegraph offices; barber shop, baths, and bootblack. The Civic Center office supplies information and performs any useful service possible. It assigns space in Camp Bromley; has stamps, postcards, baggage tags, laundry tags; rents tents and camp equipment; receives messages for the Captain of the Camp and others; distributes the Grove Map; cares for lost and found articles; arranges for housing employees and servants; takes orders for firewood, bottled gas, camp repairs.

- **Hospital:** The Grove Hospital cares for both members and employees. A physician will be in attendance at all times.
- Camp Equipment: Camps desiring to rent tents or camp equipment from the Club should do so as early as possible. Order blanks may be signed at the Club office. Members of private camps must provide their own bed linen, blankets, and towels. Except in Camp Bromley, positively no blankets, bed linen, or towels will be furnished by the Club.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Tipping:** In accordance with the Rules of the Club, tipping of Club employees and servants is strictly forbidden.
- Cash Payments: No cash will be accepted at the Bar or Grill, or elsewhere.
- Checks: No checks will be cashed as facilities are not available.
- Work for Members: Club and Grove employees will not be permitted to do work or run errands of any kind for members except by special permission of the Captain of the Camp. Dining room and kitchen employees will not be allowed to accept part-time employment at private camps.
- **Edwards Road:** Members are requested to use this road and avoid the trucks and buses on the opposite side of the Lake.
- **Private Supplies:** Private commissary supplies will not be stored, serviced, or otherwise cared for by the Commissary.
- Entertainment at the Lake: There will be no truck or bus service near the lake during the Lakeside Talks, Cremation, Orchestra Concert, Band Concert. During these entertainments the bus will turn back at Field Circle.

- Walkie-Talkie Lectures on Trees of the Grove: Will start at the Campfire Circle daily at 10:30 a.m. except Sunday. Lectures on Saturday reserved for members who attend the Encampment on weekends only.
- Writing Materials: Stationery and writing materials may be obtained at Civic Center.
- Borrowed Articles: Domino sets or cribbage boards belonging to the Club shall not be borrowed under any circumstances. Members of camps borrowing dishes, flatware, or other articles from the dining room or kitchen will be required to sign charge tags filled out in accordance with a price list adopted for that purpose. If the borrowed articles are returned by noon of the day following, the tag will likewise be returned; otherwise, acceptance will be refused and the member or camp charged with the sum incurred.
- Cameras: Still cameras may be used in the Grove, but during the Encampment no photographs shall be taken at the Swimming Pool, the Grove stage, or of any Club activity or entertainment. Any use of moving picture cameras is prohibited. Flash bulbs may not be used except within the confines of a member's own camp.
- **Guns:** Firearms may be brought into the Grove only for use in the Trap-shooting Tournament.
- Sale of Tickets, etc.: The sale of tickets, the soliciting of funds, or the distribution of printed matter or circulars for other than authorized Club purposes, is prohibited.
- Loss or Damage: The Club is not responsible to a member or guest for loss of, or damage to, baggage, automobiles, guns or property of any kind, howsoever caused.
- Camp Committee: The Camp Committee is composed of Frederick C. Cordes, Leo V. Korbel, George J. Otto, and the undersigned, who have been appointed as such by the Grove Committee in accordance with the By-Laws.

CAMP COMMITTEE

By VINCENT I. COMPAGNO

Captain of the Camp

FLEET MARINE FORCE - ATLANTIC U. S. NAVAL BASE NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 14 May 1951 Dear Dick: I received your nice letter and needless to say I appreciated the contents thereof and the sentiments expressed therein. I didn't know I was that good, however, it tickles one's ego to hear such nice things from friends. It is true, I am retiring as of 1 July. Un-less I can find a job with a "fabulous salary" attached, which might take me elsewhere, I intend to head for the San Francisco Bay area and settle down for keeps and probably offer my services to the Chamber of Commerce or Salvation Army. I refuse to procure a rocking chair and wear out some porch, which would undoubtedly lead to my feeling sorry for myself. That would be the proper time to jump off the end of a dock. For me to get demoted and hang on for a year or two would be an anti-climax so I figured it was my time to retire and get out of the way. I have gotten all I will ever receive from the Marine Corps for which I am very grateful. I will be seeing you around good old San Francisco Bay so won't attempt any good-byes. Thanks again for your nice letter and best o' luck. Sincerely, LeRY P. HUNT, Lieutenant General, U.S.Marine Corps. Rear Admiral R.W. Bates, USN, Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island.



HOTEL DE CRILLON

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Paris, le May 23 1957

PLACE DE LA CONCORDE

Ad. Téleg: " CRILONOTEL ,.

Sear Batesy

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well as the sad news of our friends

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think about as.

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to attend to but mainly for the
pleasure of seeing you and my friends.
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by any all growing old except-you with that smith record behind you I never knew about the Going bellow only 102 get him another buy of 50 Cigars for me. I sum feel sure I will outlive you but I don't know about the older generation. I wish I could see that hestory In have written but I suppose I never well. Charley loggice wrote me about Brad + I was really quite aux lover about here for a time. I suppose that Ketty mouse & Ben Ewld the place down while Brad or when Brad is away but I think it wont be long before he reaches hereport his permanent headquarties. To come down to mugulf I am well theory a good time wandering about and went- to the Royal wedding & reception at Nancy The other day in our way to Paris Tan Perle off. It was quite a aight row had the pleasure of meeting most of them 145



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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

25 May 1951

Commodore R. W. Bates Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Rafe:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 18, relative to the article in the George Washington Law Review. That is the first time in my life that anybody ever did any ghost writing for me -- I have usually done it for some one else -- and the credit should go to a Captain Goewey who was the editor of the JAG Journal at that time.

With regard to the change in the duties of the president of a court, you are not alone in your apprehensions that it is not a change for the better, and I am not so sure about it myself. Whether or not I like the change is of course academic, because the Congress left no doubt about how they feel. I am, however, limiting the certification of law officers to the more senior experienced people, on the theory that it is not fair to a junior grade to be given such an assignment.

No one knows any better than I do what it takes to do the research and the recapitulation of such events as the Battle of Save Island and others, and I am most sincere in my congratulations for the good job you have done. As some one very aptly penarked a while ago, most of us have 20-20 hindsight.

With best personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy

ING. Producers of sound motion pictures_ FILM CENTER BUILDING - 630 NINTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 19, N.Y. + TELEPHONE COLUMBUS 5-6771 May 31, 1951 Rear Admiral R. W. Bates USN Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island Dear Admiral Bates: I return herewith "Champagne Days of San Francisco" which I have enjoyed enormously. Too bad those times seem to have gone forever. Some day I'd like to meet the author, Evelyn Wells, who not only is a darn good writer but also has a top sense of humor. Next time you and I get together I look forward to passing on one of Walter Hobart's favorite reminiscences of that period, also those of Harry and Bill Crocker as regards their father \$3 Meanwhile, I have been able to find a copy of "The Barbery Coast" which I want you to add to your library. Chapters 9 and 10 are unusual to say the least. With best regards and thanks, I am, LUF/eh Att.

Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island

June 13, 1951

From: The President

To: All Officers

I wish to offer to each and every one of you my heartiest congratulations on the successful year just completed. The contributions made by all of you furthered the success of our final Globel Strategy Discussions, which I believe were highly beneficial to all participants.

To those leaving for other duty--Good Luck and Best Wishes for a successful career! Do not hesitate to call on us if the Naval War College can be of assistance to you in the future.

To those remaining on the Staff--Best Wishes for another interesting and profitable year.

R. L. CONOLLY

Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy



THOMAS ROSS COOLEY
REAR ADMIRAL, U. S. NAVY

18 June 1951

Commodore R. W. Bates, USN (Ret) Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Dick:

I understand from your brother, Edward, that you will be coming to San Francisco early next month. I saw Tiny in Sacramento some time ago, and I asked him what my chances were of joining the Grandfathers' Club of America, a subject that he had mentioned to me a couple of years ago. Anyway, last week I got a phone call from him followed by a letter telling me that I had been elected to that distinguished group and that I am to appear Friday, the twenty-second, for initiation in Sacramento. Adelaide is going to Sacramento with me, and we will stay with Tiny and Martha for Friday. It is indeed kind of them to put us up, and more than kind of Tiny to sponsor me.

A short time ago Adelaide and I were having dinner with an old shipmate of mine, and with him was a Mr. Bob Christey who claims to know you intimately, and has known you since childhood. He is looking forward to seeing you when you come out here. He was very interesting as well as amusing.

Everything is reasonably quiet out here. I have just returned from a trip to the north where we inspected the Bremerton Group of the Pacific Reserve Fleet. They passed a very fine inspection.

Needless to say, Adelaide and I are both anxious to see you, and hope that you will be out here soon and will have time to come and see your old friends, the Cooleys. Please give my regards to Sweeney and Admiral Conolly, and of course, our old friends at the Reading Room. I am, as always --

Sincerely yours,

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PREPIARED FOR POST 15-June 51 PM

From: President, Naval War College

To: Bureau of Naval Personnel

(Attn: Ships Logs Division)

Subj: Smooth Deck logs of submarines attached to ComSubSeles

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Ref: (a) the ltr Pers-E2-dr dtd 2 March 1951, para (2)

1. Photostatic copies of the daily remarks and record sheets inclusing dates are requested on the below submarines for the periods given.

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Re effectiveness of submarine dispositions for reconnaissance.

- 1. It would appear that the probability of contacting Japanese forces leaving the Empire should have been good, except that Kii Suido was left open (possibly there was some reason for believing that Japs would or could not exit from there).
- 2. Probability of detecting forces transitting between LUZON and FORMOSA should have been good.
- 3. Possibility of follow up information by submarines on enemy movements was rather remote.
 - (a) Speed differential between subs and Jap forces would not permit maintaining contact for more than a short period, particularly with air cover to force submergence.
 - (b) Insufficient subs to furnish reconnaissance in depth except along one or two most probable routes.
- 4. The MARU MORGUE subs could well have been used to beef up the HIT PARADE, particularly after TF 38 strike on 10 October indicated little or no shipping in this area. Some depth might have been added with increased possibility of tracking Jap forces departing the empire. The reconnaissance value of these subs in the MARU MORGUE is dubious.
- 5. Re the "Z00" which Com3rdFleet recommended:
 - (a) Would have required stationing subs in a probably mined area.
 - (b) Station keeping difficulties would probably have resulted in large gaps.
- 6. The concept that ComTHIRDFleet's operation should have had priority cannot be disputed. We were given orders to report first, do any attacking possible after reporting (referring to enemy naval forces, not merchant shipping).
- 7. The failure of the BUNGO SUIDO group to detect the Jap departure on 20 October was serious. Had contact been made by these submarines, SKATE, BARBEL and SAURY were in good positions to intercept, and hence augment information on Jap movements. Failure to detect this force of course eliminated this possibility.
- 8. ComTHIRDFleet's desire to concentrate all subs N of 25 N and W of 121 E implies concentrating all subs in the FORMOSA STRAIT. What subs does he mean by "all"?

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Commodore R. W. Bates, U.S.N.
Naval War College
Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Commodore Bates:

Thank you very much for the kind sent expressed in your letter of recent date, and are delighted that Admiral Conolly has secured.

18 June 1951

Thank you very much for the kind sentiments expressed in your letter of recent date, and we are delighted that Admiral Conolly has secured authorization to let us see the movie, "The Battle of the Coral Sea." I am sure it will arrive here in the next few days, and we are prepared to show it without delay. The entire class are cleared for Top Secret, so there should be no difficulty as to security on this film.

I particularly enjoyed seeing you again and talking with you on the several occasions when there was an opportunity. I think you are doing a great job on the thoroughly analytical studies that you are making, and I have had an occasion to talk to Doctor Pogue of our own Military History Division regarding such work. I understand the Army is trying to get out a movie on the Lorraine Campaign. I can only hope it approaches your work in objectivity.

It was good to see you and Mark again, and I hope to have an opportunity to return to the Naval War College again sometime. If not, we may be able to inveigle you to visit us at Carlisle next year

as we would be very happy to get a lecture on the Battle of Leyte Gulf.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

ARTHUR G. TRUDEAU Brigadier General, USA Deputy Commandant

HEADQUARTERS FAR EAST AIR FORCES APO 925

10 July 1951

Dear Dick.

I just had a nice letter from Joc stating that he had heard from you. Further that you had very kindly and thought -fully offered to assist me in obtaining my assignment back in the US. Therefor I hasten to drop you a line to acquaint

you with my wishes and status.

First I want to thank you for your two previous letters to me. Your first letter, in which you are made the suggestion that someone over should be reading some of Mao's books on stategy and tactics, aroused a great deal of interest and con -sequent activity, which I think eventually stirred the Army over here to action. I spent many weeks after the arrival of your letter collecting Mao's works from all over the Orient. Your point was well taken here in our Headquarters and I am sure it paid dividends in our effort in Korea.

As to my imminent return for assignment to the US, my forcast went back to Washington approximately 2 months ago. Personnel here at FEAF advised me this morning that I can ex -pect notice of my assgnment in about 10 days. This means that my assignment is gairly well firmed up by now in Wash. However if you have an opportunity to inquire from someone what my new job will be I would be deeply greatful. It is

with much anxiety that I await word,

In my forcast I requested assignment by preference as follows: 1. Air Command and Staff School, 2. Twin engine or single engine jet transition school, and 3. Strategic Air Command or Tactical Air Command. My first request to AC&SS is out of the question since FEAF does not have a quota for this school. So I must wait til I get to my new command before I become eligible for selection. I was selected once by FEAF prior to the Korean War but of course personnel has since changed. My second choice is not of too much concern to me as I can always get transition after I am assigned to a

My real concern is tom eventually get assigned to SAC as I feel this is where the real mission of the Air Force lies and I want very much to get into the middle of their present expansion and training program. Further I feel I am best qual -ified for Strategic Bombing operations. As a result of my eagerness to get into SAC I have gone out of my way to insure, to the best of my facilities, that I do get this assignment. Friends of mine in SAC units here in FEAF have written to personnel people in USAF to see to it that I get SAC for my next job. If fortunate km enough to get in SAC, I believe I can get the type of assignment I want as our former Deputy for personnel at FEAF is now D/P at SAC. He has promised to give me my choice of available assignments when and if I arrive at SAC.

In view of the late date, perhaps it would behoove us to wait and see just what I get before taking any further action. However I shall be happy to trust your good judgement in the matter as I am not very familiar with the unwieldy workings of

the Pentagon.

Reference your request to & call on V/Adm Joy and look up other friends of yours, I regret to date I have not done so. I have no excuse other than a hectic routine of work days which required 18 to 20 hours in the office early in the War and now have tapered off to averaging about 10 hours a day. However I now see a break, we usually get a day off each week now, also I've had an understudy km for nearly 2 months and have gradually unburdoned my responsibilities on him. Therefor from here on I hope to concentrate on a return to health program, some vacationing, and do very much intend to call on the Joys as soon as he is free from present involvement with negotiations in Korea.

Mimi and the children are all in fine health, of courses we are all looking forward to our return the the ZI. It looks now as though it will be early September. All join me in fond

love and best wishes.

Again I wish to express my gratefulness for your interest in my behalf. Believe me it is deeply appreciated, especially wa in thes period when USAF Peronnel seem to be so snowed under with the big picture that individual consideration is out of the question it seems. I'll drop you a line as soon as my assignment arrives. In the meantime if you learn anything I would appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Mac Mac



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

10 July 1951

Dear Rafe:

Thank you for your nice letter of 6 July and for your kind remarks therein.

I finished up with my physical examination at Bethesda the other day and have been given a clean bill of health.

After thirty-moven years of service I think I will enjoy retirement. Kathryn and I are planning to settle in Washington and will take an occasional trip to different points of interest. Of course, I will always be ready to return to duty if the need arises.

I have thoroughly enjoyed our association and although I am leaving active service, I am not saying goodbye and don't intend to leave my friends of long years' standing.

Best regards from Kathryn and myself.

Sincerely yours,

R. S. Riggs,

Rear Admiral, U.S.Navy.

Commo. R. W. Bates, USN Naval War College Newport, Rhode Island.

Room N-12 Thurs. 26 July 1951

My Dear Friend Commo. Bates:

We are in again---- and as far as I can figure, we will be in there for good this time----- How About That. At this writing we have taken two from the cleveland and, what two games they were. (Tuesday game) Just in case you didn't hear it (but I doubt that very much, as I can't imagine you missing one of these games especially now) here is the way it when; Last of the 8th Score 2-2, and two were out when Big Jawn Mize came up, he ran the count to 3 and 2 and then the Cleveland's catcher, pitcher, and second baseman held a round table discussion on the hill. While this was going on Joe. D. stepped to the top of the dugout and called to Big Jawn, "They are planning to shoot a hard one right by the letters,". Sure enough that's just what they did---and what did he do--- Yeah Man--- he placed it right in the right center field seats---- (Do they have seats in right-center?). Score 3-2

(Wednesday's game) Score 1-0 going into the last of the ninth --- McDougald opened the ninth with a line single to center, Garcia (the Cleveland pitcher) got the next batter on 3 strikes. Big Joe D. drove a Jong-long-long- ball to right field but outfielder Simpson's great catch pobbed the Clipper of a hit....

Berra kept the Yannkee hopes alive with a single to center that sent Mc Dougald to 3rd. Big Jawn Mize worked the count to one & one and then as Garcia was winding up, Joe D. called to Mize

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"Take it Jawn", and Big Jawn sliced a hit over 3rd (Bob Kennedy who had been switched from right to left field at the start of the inning for defensive purposes, attempted to make a shoestring catch of the drive-- the ball bounced off his finger tips and before he could recover the ball Berra followed McDougald arross the plate with the winning run. The relay was too late to catch the flying berra. So there that's another ----How About That......

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Hope you are really enjoying yourself. The new quarters for your Dept. are rounding into shape very nicely, walks completed, and the floor too (Like that Coffee Mess) Just awaiting to place the desh chairs and etc in there....

The Boss (LT. E.R. Homan) (Eleanor to you) wants me to wish you a successful leave. And that little stick of dynamite Mary wants me to forward her love---- at this point Mr. Horgan just stopped in to add that he wants to be remembered too....

I'll close with the blessing of the good Lord upon you for your safe return to Newport. May God's blessing be always with you....

Yankee----

Joe Mc Grath